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Attorneys for Wayne City Councilman Christopher Sanders were expected to file an appeal Monday following the ruling of Third Circuit Court Judge Robert Columbo last Friday, clearing the way for a May 16 recall election in the city.

Columbo ruled that recall petitions submitted to Wayne County Clerk Cathy Garrett were valid and should be accepted, overruling the challenge issued to the petitions by Sanders' attorney John Pirich. The challenge claimed the petitions did not comply with MCL 168.544c (1) requiring language indicating whether the circulator was a State of Michigan resi-

dent and agreeing to adhere to Michigan law if they were not. Garrett had initially disallowed the petitions based on the failure of the registered circulator, Robert Boertje of Wayne, to respond to the issues raised in the challenge.

In a correspondence to Boertje, Garrett stated, “I am without authority to issue a Call

For Election due to the petition not complying with MCL 168.544 c (1).”

Boertje, represented by attorney Scott Ruark, appealed that decision during the hearing Friday during which Columbo said that the 1,390 people who had signed the petitions would be “disenfranchised” if the petitions were rejected. He ordered

Garrett to call for a recall election and immediately begin that process.

Boertje was in the courtroom for the decision Friday but Sanders did not attend the hearing.

The basis for the recall, as stated on the petitions, is that Sanders voted in agreement with a motion to extend the terms of four council members, moving election dates for the city offices to coincide with state and national election years. The move was described as an effort to save the cash-strapped city about \$40,000 in election costs.

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Sweet stuff

Making Maple Syrup tours will be available at Maybury Farm in Northville at 1; 1:45, 2:30 and 3:15 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays March 3 through 31. Space is limited on the tours which begin with a wagon ride to the Sugar Bush. Visitors will learn about the maple tree, how to tap it and then collect the sap. Visitors will then go to the Sugar Shack where they can watch the sap be converted into maple syrup. After the tour, the Maybury Farm General Store will offer hot drinks and snacks for purchase. The cost is \$7 per person and children 2 and younger are admitted free with a paid ticket but must ride on laps in the wagon. Group tours are available for any group of 15 or more paid admissions. Call (248) 374-0200 to book a private group Maple Syrup tour. Maybury Farm is a program of the Northville Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The Farm receives no tax dollars and relies on admission, donations, grants and volunteers to maintain operations.



Sale of former prison property planned

Don Howard
Staff Writer

While great enthusiasm surrounds the potential sale of undeveloped land located in Plymouth Township that once was home to the Detroit House of Corrections prison-farm, and the subject of a protracted legal battle, Plymouth Township Treasurer Mark Clinton expects the municipality will merely “break even” on the deal.

The undeveloped vacant land is located within the highly acclaimed Five Mile Corridor

located at Five Mile and Ridge Road. Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix II along with Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise said they look forward to the time when the vacant land in the Five Mile Corridor turns into a successful “Michigan International Technology Center-Business Park.”

The Plymouth Township parcel is listed for \$4,485,000, or \$33,691 per acre. One beneficiary of the sale is Wayne County and another is Plymouth Township which still owes the

Bank of Ann Arbor \$356,000 after paying \$250,000 in quarterly payments of \$17,681 since borrowing funding to buy the land at an erroneous tax sale.

In 2011, township officials purchased the land, which at one time had been valued on tax rolls at more than \$15 million, during a tax foreclosure sale for \$606,149.98, the amount of foreclosed taxes, interest, and fees. One hundred ninety acres, of the land was subsequently returned to Detroit by the courts after lawyers for the city proved the foreclosure was unlawful

and the resultant tax sale invalid. That acreage was part of a 323-acre parcel on which Wayne County foreclosed when the recorded owners, Demco 54, a subsidiary of DeMattia Corp. failed to pay taxes.

In the fall of 2016, Plymouth Township reached a settlement agreement with Wayne County Treasurer Eric Sabree to settle the ongoing legal dispute after the 190-acre parcel of land was returned to Detroit. Sabree and township officials agreed to the

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Northville city manager to lead state group

Northville City Manager Patrick Sullivan has been chosen as the new president of the statewide association representing Michigan municipal managers.

Sullivan was selected as the 2018 president of the Michigan Municipal Executives (MME) during the annual Winter Institute which took place in Ann Arbor Jan. 30-Feb. 2. Sullivan succeeds Keith Van Beek, Ottawa County deputy administrator. Sullivan served the past year as president-elect of the organization.

“I’m truly honored to help lead MME for the next year,” Sullivan said. “This organization does so much to develop and support local government leaders. I’m really proud of the work we do in communities across Michigan and will do all I can to

promote our profession.”

Sullivan has been the Northville city manager since March 2006. His previous governmental experience included 10 years as superintendent of the City of St. Clair; four years as assistant village manager and village clerk of Beverly Hills; manager of the Village of New Haven and township clerk of Lenox Township—all in Michigan. Sullivan received a master’s of public administration degree from Oakland University, and a bachelor of public affairs degree from Wayne State University. His professional memberships include the International City/County Management Association, Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, and he is a board member of MME. He has been a member of MME since 1990.

During his one-year term, Sullivan said he will focus on increasing awareness of the profession to help attract a new generation of municipal executives.

“Baby Boomers are retiring and leaving all levels of our workforce, so we need to make sure we attract great leaders to carry on our work,” Sullivan said. “Part of that is making sure the leadership of MME is more diverse going forward. We need to let everyone who has the talent and passion to lead local governments know that we are going to welcome and support them.”

In addition to selecting Sullivan as president, the organization elected president-elect Fenton City Manager Lynn Markland, vice president Ludington City Manager John Shay, and trustees City Manager

of Marine City Elaine Leven, Marquette County Administrator Scott Erbsch, and Sturgis City Manager Mike Hughes.



Northville City Manager Patrick Sullivan

BELLEVILLE - CANTON

Police academy applications available

Applications for the Canton Township Citizens Police Academy will be accepted until the end of February.

The academy is designed for residents interested in acquiring insight and knowledge about how the police department works and how it serves the Canton community. Sessions will take place from 6-9 p.m. Thursdays, beginning April 12, for eight consecutive weeks.

Those attending the academy will learn about the policies and operational procedures of the police department through presentations, demonstrations and hands-on activities. Students will have the opportunity to increase their personal knowledge of the role of law enforcement in the criminal justice system as well as their understanding of the training and education required for police officers to effectively handle the challenges of police work.

“Academy participants will gain insight into the difficult challenges law enforcement personnel face on a daily basis through interesting and informative instruction,” said Canton Public Safety Director Joshua Meier.

The overall mission of the Academy participants will gain insight into the difficult challenges law enforcement personnel face on a daily basis...

Citizens Police Academy is to develop positive relationships between citizens and police officers, enhancing cooperation, understanding, and general good will, he explained.

“Once again this year we will be including a mini-Citizens Fire Academy into the program,” said Meier. “Participants will have the opportunity to enjoy two sessions of the cross-over academy, learning about the daily operations of our fire department,” Meier added.

Class size is limited for this free program and early application is encouraged. To qualify, applicants must be 21 or older and a resident of Canton Township. Applicants must not have any felony convictions and no misdemeanor convictions during the past 3 years. All applicants will be subject to a background check, police officials noted.

Applications will be accepted during the month of February, 2018, online at www.canton-publicsafety.org, or in person at the front desk of the Canton Public Safety Headquarters located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

Questions can be directed to Community Relations Officer Patty Esselink at (734) 394-5194.

Student robotics competition set in Belleville

Belleville High School is preparing for some special visitors next month, lots of special visitors, and a little financial help to entertain the crowds would be welcome.

The school will host a district FIRST Robotic Competition March 23 and 24 and members of 36 robotic teams from schools throughout the state will be in the gymnasium, showing off the skills of their carefully crafted robot creations, all hoping to advance in the state-wide, then national, competition.

The FIRST Robotics Competition is the largest high school robotics competition in the world, encouraging students to expand their horizons in science, technology, engineering and math. The competition allows students to apply their skills in a fun and collaborative adventure, a spokesman noted.

“Nearly 7,000 teams around the world build robots, with guidance from local engineers and mentors, to participate in this competition,” he added.

This is only the second year for the FIRST Robotics Team at Belleville High School. Following their inaugural season last year, which yielded the team two awards, students are eagerly lined up to join the group and stretch their technical and organizational skills in preparation for the 2018 contest.

“The Belleville team has the talent and drive to excel in this year's competition,” a spokesman said, “but they need help with funding for both the 2018 team robot and the district competition,” according to a prepared statement. The team is soliciting sponsorships to help their efforts to grow in size and knowledge, helping more students learn the technological intricacies as well as the business aspects of making purpose-built robot.

Sponsorships are available in amounts from \$100 to \$10,000, all with particular levels of recognition and publicity. For information regarding sponsorship opportunities, contact Aaron Watkins or Aaron Lang, Team 6615 robotics coaches at Belleville High School, (734)697-9706, ext. 2127 or aawatkins@vanburenschools.net or aalang@vanburen-schools.net.

The March 23 and 24 competitions will take place from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. each day. The school is located at 501 W. Columbia Ave. in Belleville.

Quilts sought for exhibit

The 22nd annual Quilt Exhibit at the Belleville Area Museum sponsored by the Western Wayne County Quilt Guild will take place in March.

The museum will be accepting quilts for display Feb. 10, 13-16, and 20-24, during normal business hours. Representatives from the quilt guild will be on hand to answer quilting questions during the drop off period. Applications may be found on the museum Facebook site or can be mailed to potential exhibitors. For an application, contact Museum Director Katie Dallos at (734) 697-1944 or email her at kdallos@provide.net.

Both finished and unfinished quilts are eligible for the exhibit as audiences enjoy watching the process, Dallos said.

Again this year, the Viewer's Choice favorites will earn ribbons.

The museum is located at 405 Main St. in downtown Belleville across from the Bayou Grill. Museum admission is \$2. Hours are 3-7 p.m. Tuesdays and from noon until 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

The museum is closed for the month of January.

Sunday music for seniors set

Seniors can enjoy live music from various bands from 2-5 p.m. every Sunday at the Van Buren Senior Citizens Center.

There is no cost for the entertainment and it is open to all senior citizens.

The Van Buren Senior Citizens Center is located at 46425 Tyler Road in Van Buren Township. For more information, phone Jimmy Baleja, (734) 223-4824.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, February 22, 2018 for the following:

PRINTING SERVICES FOR FOUR EDITIONS OF THE SHOPCANTON GUIDE

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan to all residents of the Charter Township of Canton the March Board of Review will be held in the Canton Township Hall on the first floor, at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

The following is the schedule for March Board of Review:

Tuesday, March 6th 2018	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Organizational Meeting
Monday, March 12th 2018	9:00 am - 4:30 pm	
Tuesday, March 13th 2018	1:00 pm - 9:00 pm	
Wednesday, March 14th 2018	1:00 pm - 9:00 pm	

To schedule an appointment or If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review, you may contact the Assessing office at (734) 394-5111.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA
MARCH 8, 2018

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, March 8th, 2018 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jim Cisek, Vicki Welty, Craig Engel, Cathryn Colthurst and Greg Greco.
Alternate: Gregory Demopoulos

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes: January 11, 2018 Minutes

General Calendar:

- Applicant Danny Veri for Vacant Property located north side of Proctor between Ridge and Denton roads, Zoning R-3 appealing Article 26.00 Schedule of Regulations, Section 26.02 (b) Lot Dimensions and Proportions. Parcel ID 71-076-99-0001-704 (Planning)
- Applicant Steven Chevalier for property located at 50899 Hanford Road, on the south side of Hanford Road between Napier and Ridge Roads, Zoning R-1 appealing Section 2.03(b) 6 Accessory Structures and Uses Doors. Parcel ID 71-027-99-005-009 (Building)

Election of Officers

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, Phone 734-394-5120.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services to attend participate at the meeting/hearing should contact Kerreen Conley, Human Resources Manager, at 734-394-5260. Reasonable accommodations can be made with advance notice. A complete copy of the Access to Public Meetings Policy is available at www.canton-mi.org

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**2018 SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM
HEARING OF NECESSITY FOR SIDEWALK REPLACEMENTS
FOR THE FOLLOWING SUBDIVISIONS:**

ZONE 2 - Target Subdivisions Aziz Estates #1 Aziz Estates #2 Brookside Village #1 Brookside Village #2 Brookside Village #3 Brookside Village #4 Brookside Village #5 Brookside Village West Camden Park Dasher Heights Westfield Estates	ZONE 3 - Target Subdivisions Canton Country Acres Century Farms Cherry Hill Orchards Echo Forest Oakvale Palmer Manor Pheasant Creek Pheasant Creek North Pheasant Woods Salem Manor Sierra Heights #1 Sierra Heights #2 Stonegate Villa Maria Woodwind Estates
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Also
Miscellaneous Locations and Metro Act Locations throughout Canton Township

ALL subdivisions located in **ZONE TWO & ZONE THREE** are South of Cherry Hill Rd
SEE ATTACHED MAP (larger map available in the Clerk's office)

Zones Two & Three includes all commercial and residential parcels (MISCELLANEOUS) that are located along a public road right-of-way.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Public Act 80 of the Public Acts of 1989 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the findings of necessity; assessment against owners of property; hearing; exceptions; notice of the Charter Township of Canton that the Board of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at the Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room for the proposed sidewalk replacements.

Targeted Subdivisions south of Cherry Hill Road between Morton-Taylor Road & Hannan Road.



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NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

St. Patrick’s Party set to aid schools

Everybody will be Irish during the St. Patrick's Day Party to benefit the Northville Educational Foundation next month.

The party, set for 7-11 p.m. March 17 at the Meadowbrook Country Club will be presented by Community Financial along with the Michigan Educational Credit Union and the Knickerbocker Group of Raymond James. The evening will include hors d'oeuvres and Irish fare, an open bar, complimentary valet parking, entertainment including Irish dancers and DJ along with a silent auction.

Tickets for the evening are priced at \$100 and all proceeds will be used to benefit the Northville Educational Foundation which funds multiple projects throughout the district.

The foundation funds Innovative Teaching Grants, STEAM programming and Fair; The Leader In Me, cooperative learning programs, Project Lead the Way and many others.

For more information or to purchase tickets, go to www.SupportNEF.org.

The event is for those 21 and older.

Meadowbrook Country Club is located at 40941 Eight Mile Road in Northville.

Arts council awarded programming grant

The Plymouth Community Arts Council has received a WalMart Foundation grant to support Black History Month Programming.

February solo exhibit artist, Carl Davis will show his work in the main gallery of the arts council during the month in an exhibit titled “Celebrating Heritage”. The public can view the premiere of the exhibit from 6-9 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 2. There will be opportunities to meet the artist, as well as purchase both originals and prints of Davis' artwork. Light refreshments will be served.

During the month, there will be information about Davis' work in the gallery, and self-guided art tour materials for students to take with them as they view the exhibit. Finished gallery tour worksheets can be turned in to the office for a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate and a “Create Your Own Extraordinary” t-shirt.

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will host e School Day-Off Art Workshops for ages 6-13 from 10 a.m. until noon Feb. 16 and 19. Mixed media portraits will be created by students on Feb. 16 and on Feb. 19, students will do some printmaking by designing a handmade stamp or stencil with an inspiring word to print on wood or canvas. Pre-registration is required. Visit www.plymoutharts.com for details.

“We are thankful to the WalMart Foundation who through our local Canton store #3476 has pledged their support of our programming. We are lucky to have these generous businesses here that are truly dedicated to giving back to the community,” said Community Arts Council Executive Director Lisa Howard.

The arts council is located at 774 North Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

For more information, call (734)416-4278.

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We are lucky to have these generous businesses here that are truly dedicated to giving back to the community,

Plymouth man faces trial in assault of wife

A Plymouth man is facing up to life in prison if convicted of charges of assaulting his ex-wife and stabbing his son.

Graling Owens, 56, is scheduled for a jury trial March 14 before Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Qiana Denise Lillard.

The multiple charges stem from an incident reported at about 1:50 a.m. Nov. 21 at the Haggerty Road residence of Owens. His ex-wife and her son were moving her belongings from the home when an argument ensued, according to police reports.

When police arrived at the scene, the 20-year-old son was reportedly bleeding profusely from a knife protruding from his lower torso. Paramedics provided immediate medical aid and he was transported to an area hospital where he underwent surgery, according to police.

Owens' 45-year-old ex-wife had been assaulted and choked, according to police.

He is charged with assault with intent to murder, two counts of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, two counts of felonious assault and as a fourth-degree habitual offender.

A not-guilty plea has been entered on his behalf in the charges. According to police, Owens fled the scene after the incident, but surrendered to police about 2 hours following the attack.

Land

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payment of surplus proceeds to the county should the property be sold.

According to the principal language of that agreement, signed by Sabree and former Township Supervisor Shannon Price, the township will be allowed to retain the \$606,149.98 and “Reasonable attorney fees spent by the Township in all related ligation and settlement negotiations... not to exceed \$135,000 and the cost of litigation or money judgment against Township due to a lawsuit by the City of Detroit...”

Representatives from Signature Associates, the real estate firm selected to market the land, said of the 133 acres only 71 acres can be developed and the remaining 62 acres are wetland. The land was appraised at \$4 million.

Former DeMattia President and CEO Gary Roberts, acting real estate consultant and marketing expert for the DeHoCo land parcel, predicted the sale, part of a larger 800-acre area in the Five Mile corridor, could bring 6,000 to 8,000 new jobs to the community. Roberts told members of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees that he will be paid as a design consultant for the DeHoCo land after the sale. Roberts is currently employed by Northville Township as a consultant. Nix is a commercial real-estate attorney.

At a recent township board meeting, Signature Associates President Steve Gordon and broker David Green presented a status report on their progress with the real estate listing.

Gordon told board members he has conducted an aggressive marketing effort and said, “The future of Plymouth Township lies in developing property.” Gordon's Signature Group stands to make a 6-percent commission or \$270,000 if they are successful. He presented one prospect he has entertained as an interested party, Hillside Investments of Plymouth.

“We know the properties, we know the developers, and we know the buyers,” Gordon expounded.

“If it's so hot (the property potential) how come you don't have multiple developers?” asked Trustee Chuck Curmi.

“Most developers went away during the downturn and only 10 or 12 are qualified, and we know them all. Construction costs are at all-time high. Michigan is a snake pit,” Gordon responded.

Hillside Investments and Gordon are scheduled to return to present another overview and address the board of trustees to answer questions at the next regular township meeting in February.

“When the whole thing is over all we're going to do is break even,” commented Clinton following the discussion.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to federal guidelines, the Charter Township of Plymouth decided on January 23, 2018 to submit the following projects for funding from the 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program:

PROJECT	LOCATION	ESTIMATED ALLOCATION
SENIOR SERVICES		
Council on Aging	9955 N. Haggerty Road	\$4,606
Senior Alliance	200 S. Main St, Wayne, MI	\$2,224
SENIOR TRANSPORTATION	42375 Schoolcraft Road	\$6,830
ADMINISTRATION	9955 N. Haggerty Road	\$9,107
ADA TOWNSHIP FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS	46640 Ann Arbor Trail	\$68,305
	TOTAL ALLOCATION	\$91,072

Jerry W Vorva
Plymouth Township Clerk

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INVITATION TO BID
CITY OF ROMULUS
ITB 17/18-35 New 34th District Court
Bid Package No. 1 - Sitework

The City of Romulus and the George W. Auch Company will receive firm subcontractor bids for New 34th District Court project at the 11129 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174. The work includes sitework for the new 34th District Court project including earthwork, site utilities, asphalt paving and site electrical.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on site, 11111 Wayne Road on February 14, 2018 at 2:00PM. Meet promptly at City Hall, lobby.

Sealed bids identified with the company's name, are to be submitted in an opaque envelope marked "Sealed Bid, Do Not Open" and be delivered in the City of Romulus Clerk's Office no later than 2:00 pm. on February 28, 2018. The bid envelopes shall be addressed:
**ITB 17/18-35 New 34th District Court Project, Bid Package 1: Sitework
City of Romulus Clerk's Office
11111 Wayne Road
Romulus, MI 48174**

Complete sets of documents may be downloaded electronically from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct at <https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn> or Pipeline and are available for review at the office of the George W. Auch Company, 735 S. Paddock Street, Pontiac, MI 48341 248.334.2000, (Construction Manager) and the City of Romulus Clerk's Office, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, on or after **February 5, 2018**.

Bid security in the form of a Certified or Cashier's Check or bid bond for a sum no less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Bid will be required with each Bid.

The City of Romulus reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, or waive irregularities in Bids. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of the Bids. A contract may ultimately be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.

Neither the submission of nor acceptance of any bid shall constitute a contract between any bidder and the City of Romulus. No such contract shall exist without first being approved by a formal action of the members of the Romulus City Council and only after all required bonds and proof of insurances and copies of endorsements have been received by the City and the agreement is signed by authorized representatives of the City of Romulus and the successful Bidder.

All questions regarding the project or the ITB documents should be directed only to Danielle Eschner, George W. Auch Company 248.334.2000 or via email at deschner@auchconstruction.com

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INVITATION TO BID
CITY OF ROMULUS
ITB 17/18-22 - PROJECT #0155-17-0060
OLIVE STREET WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

The City of Romulus, is requesting sealed bids for the Olive Street Water Main Improvements. The work includes replacement of 2,600 feet of existing water main per the specifications along Olive, Sterling and Bibbins Streets.

No pre-bid meeting is required for this meeting.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City of Romulus Clerk until 2:00 PM local time, on February 21, 2018. All bids should be clearly addressed:
**ITB 17/18-22 - PROJECT #0155-17-0060
OLIVE STREET WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS
City of Romulus Clerk's Office
11111 Wayne Road
Romulus, MI 48174**

Contract documents for this project shall be on file on and after 2:00 PM, February 6, 2018, at the City of Romulus Clerk's Office or may also be examined from the office of the City's Engineer, OHM Advisors, 34000 Plymouth Road, Livonia, MI 48150 (phone 734-522-6711) or online on the Michigan Inter- Governmental Trade Network (MITN) Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (<http://www.mitn.info/>).

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The City of Romulus reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, or waive irregularities in Bids. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of the Bids. A contract may ultimately be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.

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All questions regarding the project or the ITB documents should be directed only to Rich Hobgood of OHM at 734-466-4492 or via email at rich.hobgood@ohm-advisors.com.

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Schools of choice option available

Wayne-Westland Community Schools will offer a Schools of Choice program for the 2018-2019 year for students in kindergarten through grade 12. The Schools of Choice program provides parents the opportunity to move their child from one school to another within the boundaries of the school district provided there is room available in the school.

Transportation to and from the school of choice must be provided by the parent or legal guardian.

District parents wishing to have their child attend an elementary, upper elementary, middle or high school other than the one assigned by residency must submit a 2018-2019 Schools of Choice application. These applications will be available in every Wayne-Westland school.

Schools of Choice applications for elementary school students, upper elementary students, middle school students, and high school students will be accepted in the Pupil Accounting Office at the Board of Education Building, 36745 Marquette Road, Westland, until March 1.

If space is available, selected students with timely applications can begin the 2018-2019 year in the school of choice. If more students apply for a grade/building than there are openings, a random selection process will be used to select students. The names of students not selected at that time will be placed on a waiting list for the 2018-2019 year.

Current Schools of Choice students must reapply to remain eligible for the program next year. After the deadline Schools of Choice applications will be accepted until Aug. 23, at the elementary, upper elementary, middle, or high school the parent/guardian would like the child to attend. These names will be added to the 2018-2019 school year waiting lists on a first-come, first-served basis.

Building principals will use the waiting lists to notify qualified students of an opening. Building principals will be allowed to place Schools of Choice students only through Sept. 14. No Schools of Choice placements will be made after that date. A Schools of Choice student will be moved back to his/her home school if an overcrowding situation occurs within the first 10 weeks of the school year.

After 10 weeks, the student will be permitted to remain in the school of choice for the remainder of the school year, provided all other conditions continue to be satisfied. It is the policy of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools Board of Education to prohibit any acts of unlawful discrimination in all matters dealing with students, employees, or applicants for employment.

For more information, call (734) 419-2001 or visit www.wwcsd.net.

‘Gone With The Breeze’ Inspire show opens tomorrow

Warming up the stage is the winter production at Inspire Theatre, “Gone With The Breeze.” Sounding like a takeoff of the blockbuster, “Gone With The Wind,” the show is actually a behind-the-scenes musical-comedy set in Hollywood in the 1990s. The action starts with the whole country talking about the novel soon to be made into a new hit movie. When the nation hears about the plans of Lone Pine Films, hundreds of aspiring young actresses descend on the studio. These divas make the burning of Atlanta seem like child's play. Only one problem - Peggy Tempest - the reigning studio queen, insists the part of the heroine, Jezebel O'Toole, belongs to her. Jezebel O'Toole will make Scarlett O'Hara seem like soggy grits and Peggy will stop at nothing to get the part.

Inspire Theatre has been bringing productions to the shopping and dining district of Westland since 2005. Artistic Director Len Fisher, of Wayne, who continues to be the driving force behind Inspire Theatre, has once again teamed with daughter, Elizabeth, also of Wayne, to turn a little-known musical into an entertaining evening for the entire family. Elizabeth Fisher, who fills the role of choreographer, is joined by musical director Tiffany Archibald of Romulus and tech person, Wendy Hardy of Livonia.

“Its fun to play the role of the diva,” said Courtney Nixon of Farmington Hills, who fills the role of Peggy. “My last role at Inspire I played Igor in ‘It Happened One Fright.’ Let's just say that these costumes are prettier.”

With a cast of 22, many of the performers are returning Inspire Theatre alumni. New faces onstage include Dave Durham of Garden City, fresh from a successful appearance in “How Old is That Photo,” at Trinity House in Livonia. He joins other newcomers Margaret Aneshansel and Alivia Morton of Canton Township, Ben Archibald of Romulus and Livy Kagan of Ann Arbor.

“Gone With The Breeze” will open at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9 and continue for three weekends at the Westland Center for the Arts located at 33455 Warren Road in Westland. Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased at inspiretheatre.ticketleap.com.

More information is available by calling the theatre at (734) 751-7057.



Recall

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The petitioners submitted seven samples of petition language against Sanders to the Wayne County Elections Commission prior to gaining approval of the language ultimately used on the petitions. Sanders was one of four council members to vote in favor of the change although recall efforts against the others were abandoned.

Sanders said the decision to go forward with an appeal was not an easy one for him to make. He said he had, however, authorized his attorney to file for an emergency hearing with the Michigan Court of Appeals in an effort to overturn Columbo's decision.

“My attorney believes the judge was mistaken on at least one and perhaps more points of law,” Sanders said.

“This is another step in the process,” Sanders said. “This is the way democracy works. I absolutely respect the right of the people to petition. I also believe in the justice system and my rights under the law.”

It could take up to three weeks for the appeals court to issue a decision on whether or not to hear the matter.

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Legislator explains ‘no’ vote on bill

State Rep. Jewell Jones (D-Inkster) voted no on a series of bills last week that would criminalize targeting a victim based on his or her occupation as a police officer, firefighter or emergency medical services personnel, whether they held that position or not. House Bills 4585, 4590 and 4591 were voted out of the House last week and will now be sent to the Senate for their consideration.

“I find it curious how my colleagues on the other side of the

aisle closed out 2017 by attacking police and firefighters' health care, yet now suddenly they're working so hard to protect them. Something just isn't adding up here,” said Jones, a member of the Inkster Auxiliary Police Department. “Our police and firefighters risk their lives every day to keep us safe. They don't deserve to be used as political fodder whenever it is convenient, which is unfortunately what these bills seemed to be doing.”

Under the bill package, com-

monly touted as the “Blue Lives Matter” bill package, if a person targets a victim because he or she is perceived to be a firefighter, law enforcement officer, corrections officer or emergency services personal, the penalty would be a felony, punishable by up to two years in prison. HB 4591 updates state sentencing guidelines to reflect the penalties as reflected in each of the other two bills.

“Not only is it already a crime to assault a police officer or fire-

fighter, but we enter murky waters when we begin creating new felonies without ensuring they receive a serious penalty in line with the laws currently on the books.

“I simply can't imagine why these bills are necessary, if not to politicize our men and women in uniform,” Jones said. “These bills seem to be a solution in search of a problem more than anything else, and our police and firefighters deserve better than political gestures like this.”



State Rep. Jewell Jones

Art smart

Student artists create mural for class

An old chemistry classroom at Romulus High School recently got a makeover including a stunning mural painted by art students which has become the talk of the school.

The newly-painted room is now where art students meet for instruction and inspiration from painter and veteran teacher Shanda Easterling, who leads the art program.

The visual fine arts program is one of the most popular extracurricular classes at the school, administrators noted, and includes several offerings like Art Foundation, Art and Logic, Drawing 1 and 2, Design and Painting and Fine Arts Independent Studies.

“We are anxiously awaiting the approval for an Advanced Placement (AP) studio drawing class for the 2018-19 school year,” said Easterling. As a means of making the once old chemistry classroom into a fresh new art room, students Brianna Banko, Jason Parmley, and brothers Jason and Justin Simmons painted the new mural which adorns the wall. They completed the entire mural on their own time after school during the first 12-week



The mural includes several depictions of eagles, the school mascot.



Student Justin Simmons, artist and teacher Shanda Easterling, students Jason Simmons, Brianna Banko and Jason Parmley show off the new mural at Romulus High School.

trimester. The students first drew the images on paper which were then converted to overhead transparencies. As the images were projected onto the wall, the students finalized the project with acrylic paint.

The original idea was the brainchild of Jason Parmley and Justin Simmons, who were hoping to create the impression that one side of the mural would represent fire and the other would denote ice. The con-

cept grew to include the images of eagles, for which the Romulus High School athletic teams are named, to represent school spirit. The right side of the mural reveals the life cycle of an eagle from egg to majestic adult and was completed in a cool color palette. At the top of the painting, two adult eagles adorn the corners with stars and the phrase “Let your creative side soar”. The center connects to the left side and expands into outer space using warm

colors simulating fire.

Romulus High School teacher Kevin Walton and his family donated all the paint used in the mural to help with the extracurricular art programming.

The art program at the school is now accepting donations to purchase needed art supplies. For more information or to contribute to art education at the school, contact Easterling at smeasterling@romulus.k12.mi.us.

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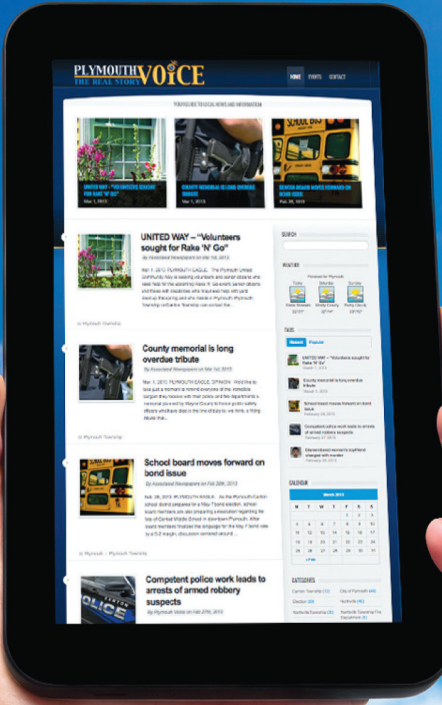
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Calendar of events

Concert salutes law enforcement

The Belleville Seventh-Day Adventist Church will host a free tribute concert for local law enforcement, fire and rescue, veterans and emergency services men and women at 6 p.m. tomorrow, Feb. 9.

The concert is free and will feature Christian recording artist Scott Michael Bennett who has sung all over the world and at the Pentagon.

The church is located at 89 S. Edgemont St. in Belleville.

Toddler Story Time continues

The Romulus Public Library will host Toddler Story time for those 0-4 years of age for playtime, stories and crafts from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesdays through March 28.

Older children can attend but must be accompanied by an adult.

Toddler Story Time is sponsored in part by the Friends of the Romulus Public Library.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus. For more information, call (734) 942-7589.

Veterans set Fish Frys

Plymouth VFW Post 6695 will host Friday Night Fish Frys from 5-7 p.m. starting Feb. 9, and every Friday night during Lent. The fish frys will continue through March 30, with the exception of Feb. 16.

Menu choices include cod, walleye, shrimp or chicken strips. Dinners include French fries, baked potato or macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, roll and butter and coffee.

There will also be 50-50 raffles during the dinners.

The Plymouth VFW Post is located at 1426 S Mill St. near Lilley Road just north of Ann Arbor Road.

Survey deadline extended

As part of the joint Plymouth City/Township Recreation Master Plan, the State of Michigan requires input from individuals and groups who are users of the recreation services.

Local officials have distributed a questionnaire, which can be accessed at <http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us/FormCenter/Recreation-6/Recreation-Master-Plan-Questionnaire-64>.

The questionnaire will allow respondents to share their thoughts about parks and recreation in the city and township. The response deadline has been extended to Feb. 18.

Fireman's Ball tickets on sale

The Northville Township Firefighters Charity Fund will host the 15th Annual Fireman's Ball from 6 p.m. until midnight Saturday, Feb. 17 at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia.

Tickets are priced at \$100 per person and include dinner, drinks, and dancing to live music from the Killer Flamings.

There will also be a raffle, silent and live auctions during the evening.

To purchase tickets, become a sponsor or to donate, contact (734) 219-3961 or visit www.NTFFCharityFund.com.

Used book sale set

Friends of the Westland Library will host a winter warm up book sale from 3-6 p.m. today, Feb. 8, for members only.

The sale will be open to the public from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 9 and 10 and from noon until 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11. Sunday is also bag day when buyers can fill a bag with books for \$4.

Specials at the sale include biographies priced at three for \$1 and hardcover adult fiction books will be buy one, get one free.

The library is located at 6123 Central City Pkwy. in Westland. For more information, call (734) 326-6123.

Artistic evening planned.

The Michigan Philharmonic will present "An Evening of Artistic Expression" beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9. The performance will include vocalist Lonnie Reed, guest artist for the Michigan Philharmonic "Rock, Pop & Soul" concert. "An Evening of Artistic Expression" will take place at artist Tony Roko's Warehouse Studio.

Reed will be performing an eclectic selection, from classical works, to pop songs, accompanied on piano by Maurice Draughn, principal harpist with the Michigan Philharmonic

Roko was named Detroit's Best Fine Artist for three consecutive years (2015-2017), and his art serves as the face of Atwater Brewery.

Tickets for the event are \$40, and light appetizers, wine, as well as Atwater Brewery craft beer are included. The event benefits Music and Arts Education Programs of the Michigan Philharmonic and Art Foundation.

For tickets and information call (734) 451-2112 or visit www.michiganphil.org.

Black History celebrated

Middle Park Manor Block Club will present A Black History Celebration from 5-8 p.m. Feb. 10 at Pentecostal Temple Church, 30043 Parkwood St. in Inkster.

The evening will include dinner, entertainment and a 50-50 drawing.

The requested donation for the event is \$10 and available by calling (734) 377-1424.

Firefighters teach CPR

The Plymouth Township Fire Department is offering CPR Classes monthly to all residents and groups in Plymouth Township. The Fire Department is an American Heart Association Certified Training site for Heartsaver CPR and other first aid techniques.

These sessions are free for township residents. For non-residents, there is a nominal fee for books and CPR cards. Anyone interested in learning Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation should contact Nancy Jowsey at (734) 354-3230 to sign up for a class. Enrollment must be complete no later than one week before the date of the class. Special accommodations can be made for large groups by contacting Jowsey at the number above.

City marks Black History

Several events are planned throughout February to commemorate Black History Month in Romulus.

Four the fourth year, the city will offer a Black History Bus Tour Featuring Stops on the Underground Railroad.

Tour-goers will make stops around the city, highlighting the rich history of Romulus including sites that were locations for the Underground Railroad and others that were important to the Civil Rights movement.

The tour will take begin with boarding of the bus at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 in the Romulus City Hall parking lot. The tour should last approximately 3 hours.

Anyone wishing to attend should register by calling Mayor LeRoy Burcroff's office at (734) 942-7571. Seats are limited and early registration is

advised.

For those not able to attend, a narrated video of the tour is available on the city YouTube channel and local Comcast Cable.

Rosie Chapman, a.k.a. Miz Rosie, is a teacher, performing artist, author and school social worker who thrills audiences of all ages with storytelling. Her interactive performances are truly educational and entertaining. She will present Goin' Up North, the Great Migration of African Americans at 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22 at the Romulus Public Library.

This activity is funded in part by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Michigan Humanities Council.

All ages are welcome and no sign-up is required. For more information, visit or call the library at (734) 942-7589.

Philharmonic presents Rock, Pop & Soul

Celebrate Valentine's weekend with The Michigan Philharmonic, under the direction of Music Director and Conductor Nan Washburn with a concert featuring the great music of the 70s and 80s at 4:30 or 7:30 Feb. 10 at the Village Theater in Canton.

Rock, Pop & Soul, will carry audiences back in time to the great music from groups such as The Eagles, The Doors, The Who and more. Guest singer, Lonnie Reed brings the soulful sounds of Lionel Richie with "All Night Long" and "Stuck on You", along with the best of Michael Jackson including, "Beat It, "Billie Jean" and more. Tickets are available by calling (734) 451-2112 or at the Village Theater by visiting www.cantonvillagetheater.com.

Tea with Mrs. Lincoln served

Join Mary Todd Lincoln on the day before her husband's birthday for a tea at the Plymouth Historical Museum from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11. Mrs. Lincoln, portrayed by Pam Dawson, will discuss her earliest recollections, through her courtship and marriage to Abraham Lincoln, up to his election to the Presidency.

Tea and delicacies will be catered by Diann's Catering, including the special tea of the museum, "Mary's Blend."

Ticket holders who arrive at the Plymouth Historical Museum before the tea are welcome to visit the "Here Comes the Bride" special exhibit, which will be open to the public until June 17. Doors for "Tea with Mrs. Lincoln" will open at 1:50 p.m.

The museum is located at 155 South Main St. in downtown Plymouth. For information or tickets, call (734) 455-8940.

Blues at The Elks set

Blues @ The Elks takes place from 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge #325 in partnership with the Detroit Blues Society (www.detroitbluessociety.org). There is a \$5 donation at the door.

Big Ray & the Motor City Kings will entertain Feb. 13.

The band performs Motown, Blues, Rockabilly and everything in between. Big Ray Haywood on sax and vocals, Davey Fender on guitar, Mike Rupprecht on keyboard and vocals, Joel Warren on drums, and Brian Gatten on bass and vocals.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth MI. For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plyaa325.com or email jazzattheelks@gmail.com.

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